

Board of Sumter County Commissioners

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SUMTER COUNTY CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY LICENSING BOARD

February 2, 2010 @ 6:00 PM

Staff Present: Derrill McAteer - County Attorney, Robert Kegan - Building Official, William Dixon - Chief Plans Examiner, Lee Hartman - Chief Inspector, and Alysia Akins - Code Enforcement/Licensing Coordinator.

Board Members Present: Ken House - Chairman, Gary Smith - Vice-Chairman, Lorenzo Brooks, Bill Costner, Scott Bowling, Charlie Flores, Tangie Staton, Patrick Daugherty, and Steve Rooney.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. House at 6:00 PM and followed with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Rooney moved to approve the minutes from 11/3/09. Mr. Costner seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Bowling moved to approve the minutes from 1/5/10. Mr. Brooks seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1) *Applicant Name: Diaz, Warren C.*
Company Name: Malin-Diaz Irrigation
Trade: Irrigation Contractor

The applicant was not present due to attending another licensing meeting out of town. Licensing staff recommends approval.

The Board discussed the current policy regarding credit score requirements. Attorney McAteer recommended not establishing a specific score requirement; however, discussed particular reasons to deny an application request based on credit history, such as delinquent accounts and credit status issues. The Board currently has the option to deny an application based on the credit score; however, a "hard line" score requirement has never been put into place by the Board. The Board discussed tabling the request due to the applicant not being

present to address the Board's concerns. Mr. Kegan suggested creating a Board policy that requires the applicants to be present. Attorney McAteer recommended making a code change to that effect or creating a policy, in which staff would present their request to Mr. Arnold, County Administrator, who in turn would ask the Board of County Commissioners for approval. The Board discussed requiring only applicants with low credit scores to be present. The Board discussed the option of having staff inform applicants at time of submittal what the Board's preferences are. The Board discussed changing the application verbiage to include the recommendation of the applicant's presence.

Mr. Costner moved to table the applicant's request for a competency card as an Irrigation Contractor to the 3/2/10 meeting based upon the applicant's absence to address Board concerns. Mr. Daugherty seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION:

None

Meeting adjourned at 6:20 PM.